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Type of Equipment	1952 Plan	Status as of 30 Jun 1952	In Operating Condition
Tractor drills	2,790	1,846	1,674
Binders with pivot (Zapfvelle)	6,100	5,912	5,715
Threshers	7,620	7,718	6,572
Tractors with potato and beet diggers	1,710	1,653	994
Total tractor jobs in terms of 100 ha of medium plowing	4,100	1,314.4	
Of this:			
Field work	3,360	729.6	
Threshing	150	20.1	
Transportation for other than MAS	590	564.7	

Census of Agricultural Enterprises

Many difficulties arose in this census. The Central Office for Statistics had to send the questionnaires back because they had been filled out wrong. Of the 280 questions on each questionnaire, only a few were always filled out correctly.

Many peasants refused to enter any amount in the column "Wages Paid" because many of them had not registered their workers with the health insurance program, or had employed their own children without paying them wages, which is against the law.

The GDR government has appropriated more funds so that 962 additional people could be hired to help carry through the census.

In the near future, a census of newly formed production cooperatives is planned.

MAS Wessenberg, Kreis Neustrelitz

This MAS has existed since 1948. At present, it employs 90 people, of whom 25 are administrative (this includes brigade leaders). There are 50 tractor drivers and 12 mechanics. This MAS has twenty 22-horsepower tractors of "Activist" type and fifteen 42-horsepower tractors of "Pionier" type. The tractors are in usable condition; however, there are continuous breakdowns, since the material used in their production was of poor quality. Not one of the tractors is expected to last through the entire harvest. The repair shop is always overloaded during harvest time.

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